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TO AMEMBASSY JAKARTA IMMEDIATE

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E.O. 11652:

TAGS: OREP (WOLFF, LESTER)

SUBJECT: CODEL WOLFF: TIMOR VISIT

REF: A) STATE 71633; B) JAKARTA 4144

1. DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY OAKLEY MET WITH AMBASSADOR ROESMIN NURJADIN APRIL 1ST, REVIEWED RECENT HISTORY OF STATE DEPARTMENT EFFORTS WITH CONGRESS ON EAST TIMOR, INFORMED AMBASSADOR OF OUR JUDGMENT THAT EFFORTS BY STATE AND BY INDONESIAN GOVERNMENT HAD SUCCEEDED IN CREATING A MUCH BETTER ATMOSPHERE IN CONGRESS TOWARD EAST TIMOR AND INDONESIAN ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS, AND URGED THAT GOI GIVE FAVORABLE CONSIDERATION TO IDEA OF CONGRESSWOMAN MEYNER VISITING EAST TIMOR WITH SALZBERG AND OTHER STAFFERS.

2. OAKLEY EXPLAINED THAT WE THOUGHT THIS WAS MOST EFFECTIVE TACTIC FOR DEALING WITH VERY PRECISE PROBLEM OF CONGRESSIONAL RELATIONS, ALTHOUGH WE UNDERSTOOD REASONS WHY SALZBERG WAS NOT REGARDED WITH FAVOR BY INDONESIANS. TO ALLOW TRIP TO PROCEED WOULD BE BEST WAY MAINTAIN PRESENTLY CONFIDENTIAL

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FAVORABLE CLIMATE ON HILL WHEREAS TO REFUSE ENTRY INTO TIMOR OF A PARTICULAR STAFF MEMBER WHILE OTHERS ALLOWED TO GO WOULD HAVE NEGATIVE REPERCUSSIONS. HE URGED AMBASSADOR TO CALL CONGRESSMAN WOLFF TO CONFIRM THAT LATTER WISHED

SALZBERG TO VISIT TIMOR AND THAT FAILURE TO ALLOW THIS WOULD CREATE PROBLEMS WHICH SHOULD BE AVOIDED.

3. AMBASSADOR REPLIED THAT SINCE CONGRESSMAN FRASER NOT GOING, THERE IS NO JUSTIFICATION FOR SALZBERG TO GO. SALZBERG COULD GO TO JAKARTA BUT NOT TO TIMOR. AMBASSADOR ASKED IF STATE DEPARTMENT WAS MAKING REQUEST FOR SALZBERG TO VISIT. OAKLEY SAID THAT WE BELIEVED THAT VISIT WOULD BE IN BEST INTERESTS OF INDONESIA BUT OBVIOUSLY GOI MUST MAKE DECISION FOR ITSELF.

4. COUNSELOR PANE TELEPHONED IMS SUBSEQUENTLY TO SAY THAT INDONESIAN EMBASSY WOULD BE REPORTING OAKLEY-ROESMIN DISCUSSION TO JAKARTA AND WOULD RECOMMEND AGAINST ALLOWING SALZBERG VISIT TO TIMOR. PANE ALSO INDICATED THAT HE WOULD BE TELEPHONING LIM BIAN KIE TO REPORT SITUATION AND TO ASK FOR GUIDANCE.

5. REACTION ON THE HILL TO THE NEWS OF POSSIBLE REFUSAL TO SALZBERG VISIT IS NEGATIVE AND WE ASSUME IT WILL AFFORD EASY AMMUNITION TO THOSE WHO HOPE TO STOP INDONESIAN SECURITY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM.  
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